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## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

No. DA 09-0556 and DA 09-0605

STATE OF MONTANA,

Plaintiff and Appellee,

v.

DONNIE MACK SELLERS,

Defendant and Appellant.

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## NOTICE OF RELATED CASES

The State of Montana gives notice to the Court that the issues raised and arguments made in Sellers' pending petition for removal of the Office of the Appellate Defender are closely related to some of the issues and arguments in the pending appeal of State v. St. Dennis, No. DA 09-0284. In both cases, appellants have argued that the organizational structure of the Office of the State Public Defender creates a per se conflict of interest for their attorneys.

The Court has scheduled oral argument on Sellers' petition to remove the Office of the Appellate Defender for April 21, 2010. The appeal of State v. St. Dennis has not yet been fully briefed; the State's brief is due on May 11, 2010.

Respectfully submitted this 25th day of March, 2010.

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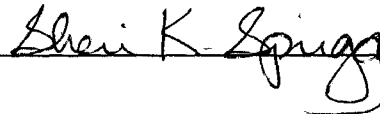
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